



# *Getting Projects Off The Ground*

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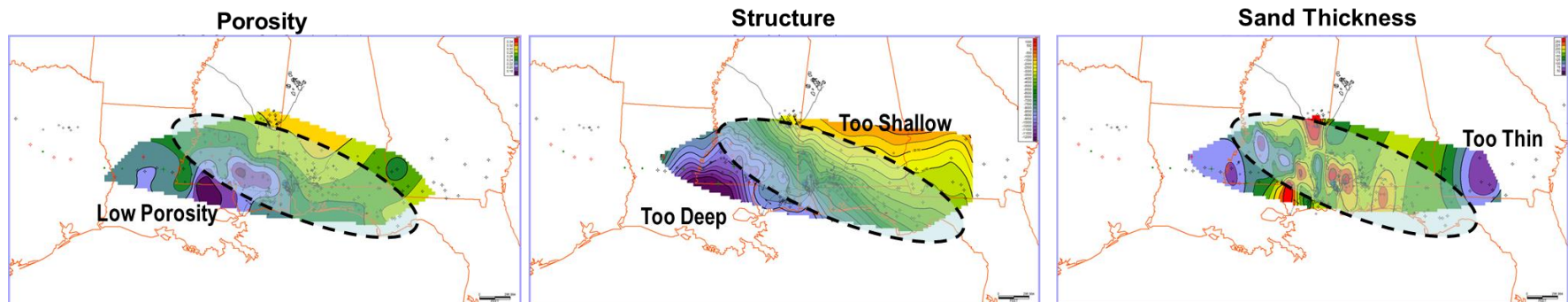
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1. Regional characterization using existing data sources
  - Storage Complexes
  - CO<sub>2</sub> sources
2. Pilot injection test(s)
3. Integrated CO<sub>2</sub> capture, transportation and storage demonstrations
4. Commercialization
5. So how do we get projects off the ground?

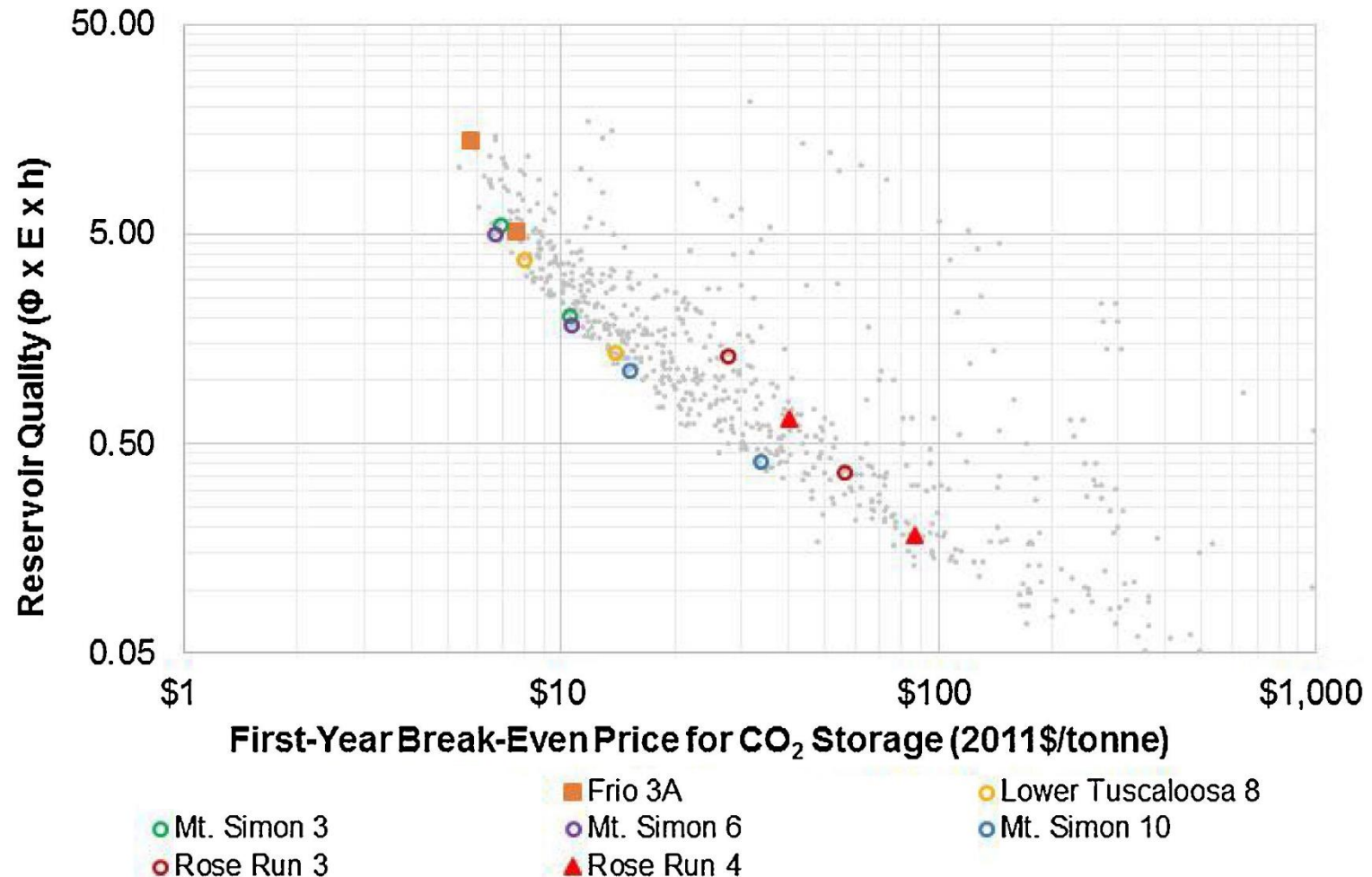
# Regional Characterization

- Underground CO<sub>2</sub> storage capacity is a function of reservoir depth, thickness and porosity
- Underground CO<sub>2</sub> storage security is a function of geologic structure, overlying rocks that will contain the CO<sub>2</sub>, and permeability
- We can often scope for reservoirs with these characteristics using existing data

## Lower Tuscaloosa Formation Regional Maps



# Saline Aquifer Storage Costs



From Grant et al., IJGGC, Volume 72, May 2018, Pages 175-191



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# Pilot Test Example: Mississippi Test Site 2008-2010

- **Purpose:** Locate and test suitable geological sequestration sites in proximity to large coal-fired power plants in the Southeast region
- **Initial Target:** Deep saline reservoirs along MS Gulf Coast with high potential CO<sub>2</sub> storage capacity
- **Objectives:**
  - Build geological and reservoir maps for test site
  - Conduct reservoir simulations to estimate injectivity, storage capacity, and long-term fate of injected CO<sub>2</sub>
  - Address state/local regulatory and permitting issues
  - Foster public education and outreach
  - Inject 3,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub>
  - CO<sub>2</sub> monitoring

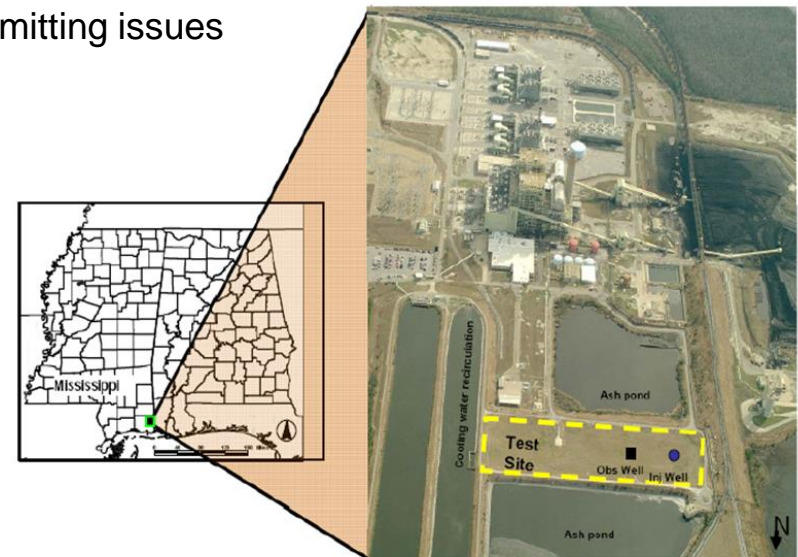


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# Citronelle Phase III Integrated Demo 2008 - 2018



Power Plant



Capture



Transport



Storage

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## Anthropogenic Test

Capture: Alabama Power's Plant Barry,  
Bucks, Alabama

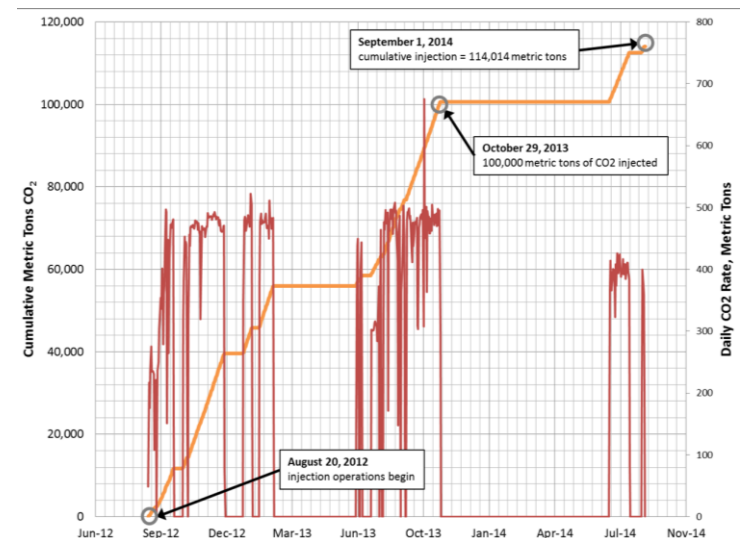
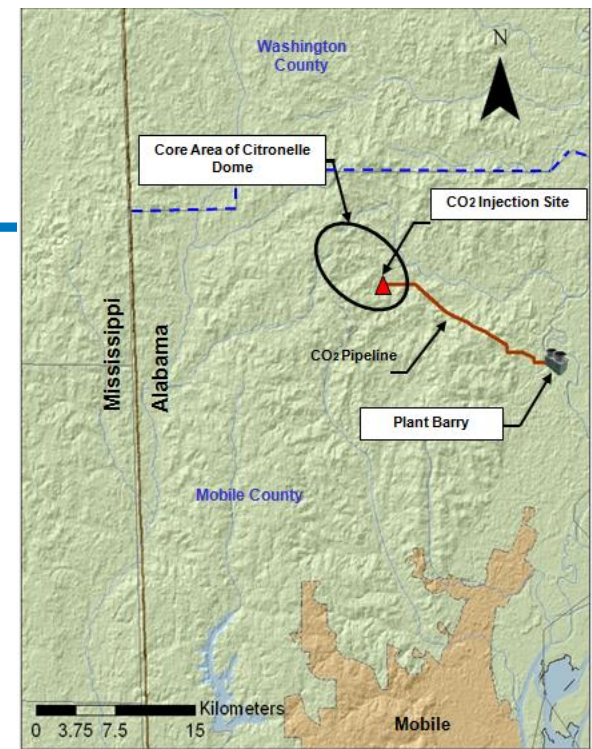
Transportation: Denbury

Geo Storage: Denbury's Citronelle Field,  
Citronelle, Alabama



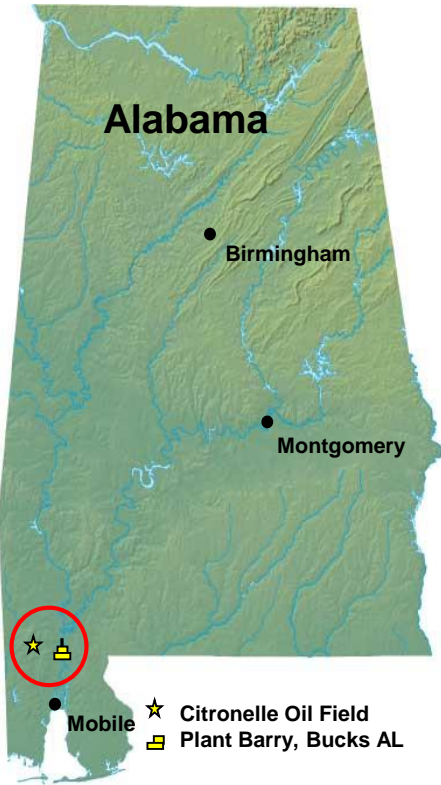
# Citronelle Phase III Integrated Demo

- Inject, stored, and monitored 114 kt for the largest (at the time) integrated commercial prototype CCTS project at a coal-fired power plant.
- First time CO<sub>2</sub> transfer of custody occurred between an anthropogenic source and a transport/storage operator.
- First with Class VI elements in their CO<sub>2</sub> injection permit





# Demo Project Coordination

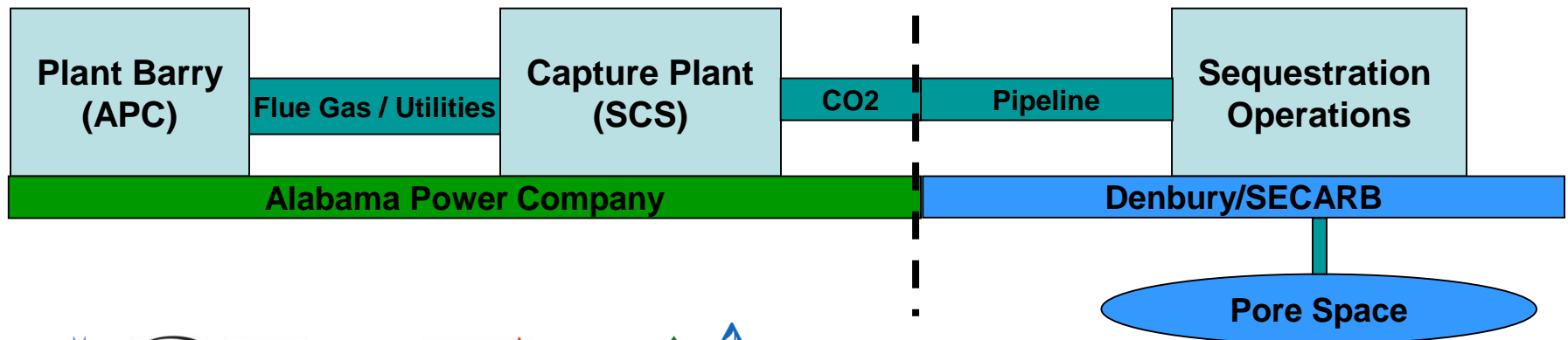


## Capture Project

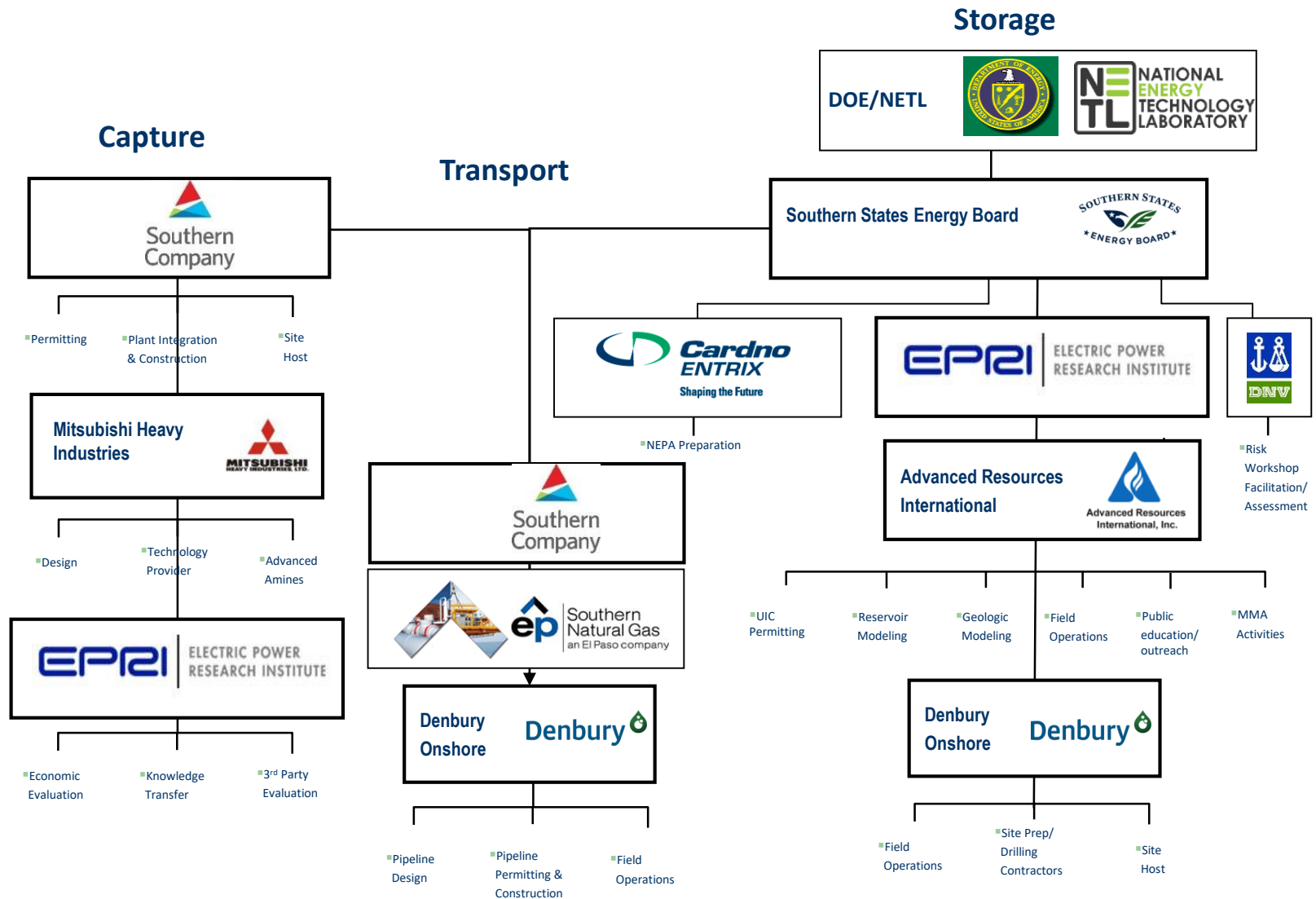
- SO collaborating with MHI
- Location: APC's Plant Barry
- Execution/contracting: SO

## Sequestration Project

- Project: DOE's SECARB Phase III
- Prime contractors: SSEB and EPRI
- CO<sub>2</sub> : SO supplying
- Sequestration: Denbury Citronelle Field



# Demo Project Coordination



# Integrated Test Permitting Process

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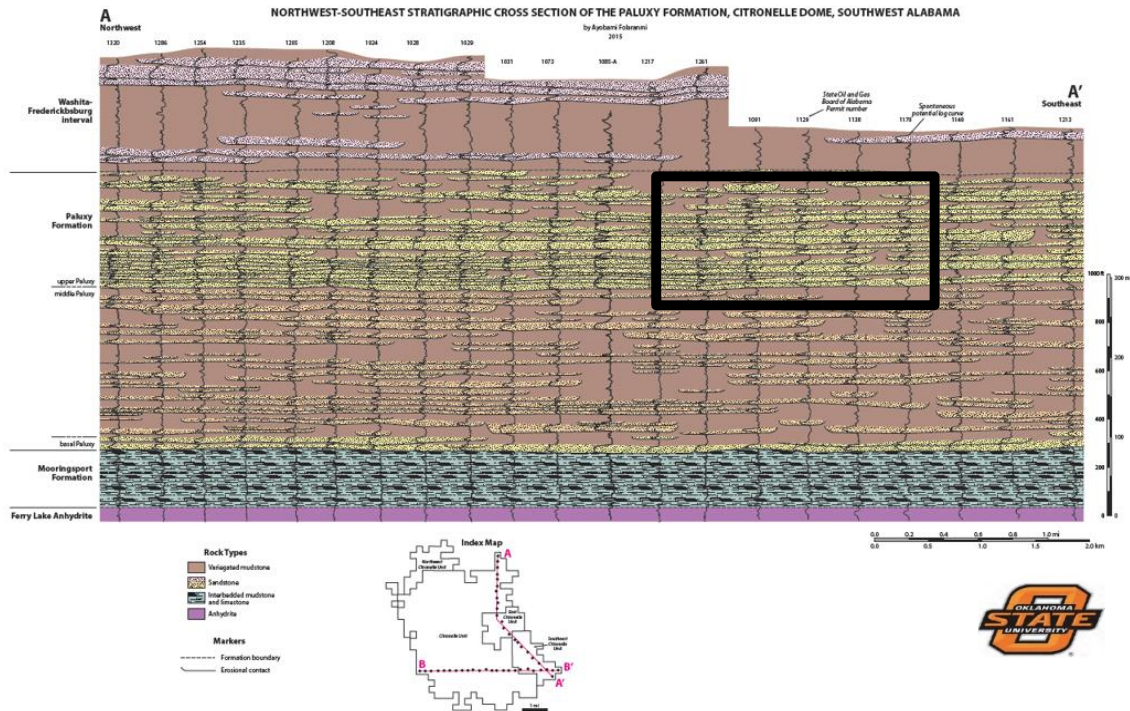
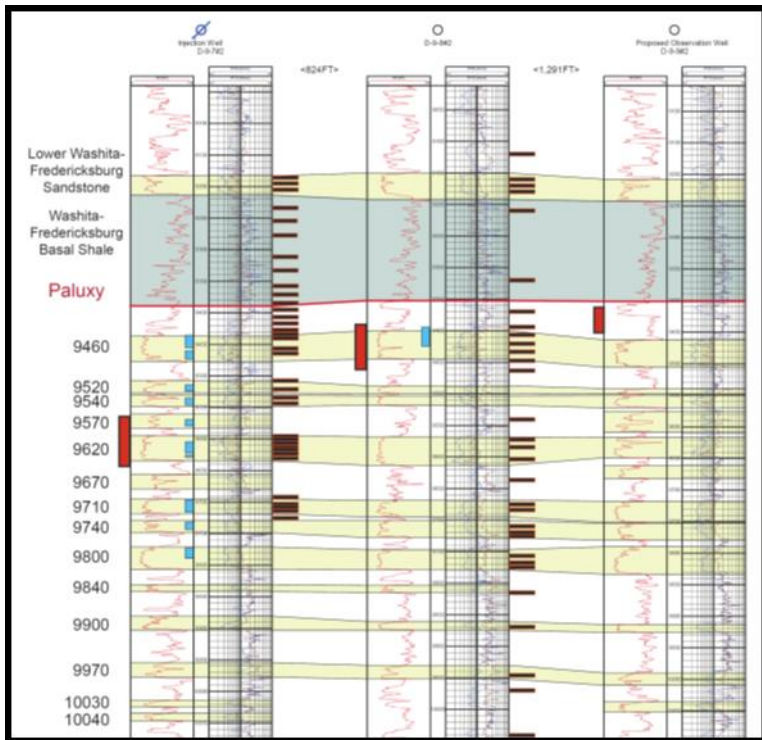
- **Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) Air Permit**
  - Capture unit operation
- **Army Corps of Engineers permit – Wetlands Impacts**
  - Covers wetland impacts due to pipeline and injection site construction
  - Pipeline crosses 15 acres of wetlands
  - Horizontal drilling under wetlands is preferred over “open-cutting” and mitigation
  - Wetland impacts during well pad construction operations (fill) mitigated after well drilling completed
- **U.S. Fish and Wildlife permit – Threatened and Endangered Species**
  - Potential impacts to threatened species (flora & fauna)
  - Over 30 gopher tortoise burrows encountered long pipeline easement
  - Directional drilling under tortoise burrows/colonies is preferred over temporary relocation
- **SHPO (State Cultural/Archaeological Assets)**

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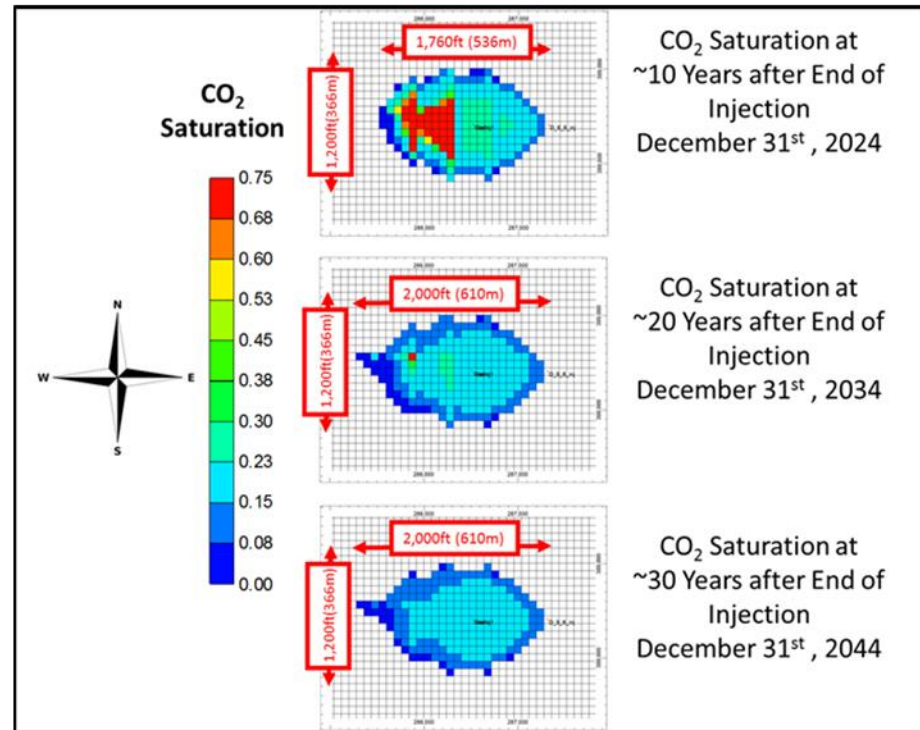
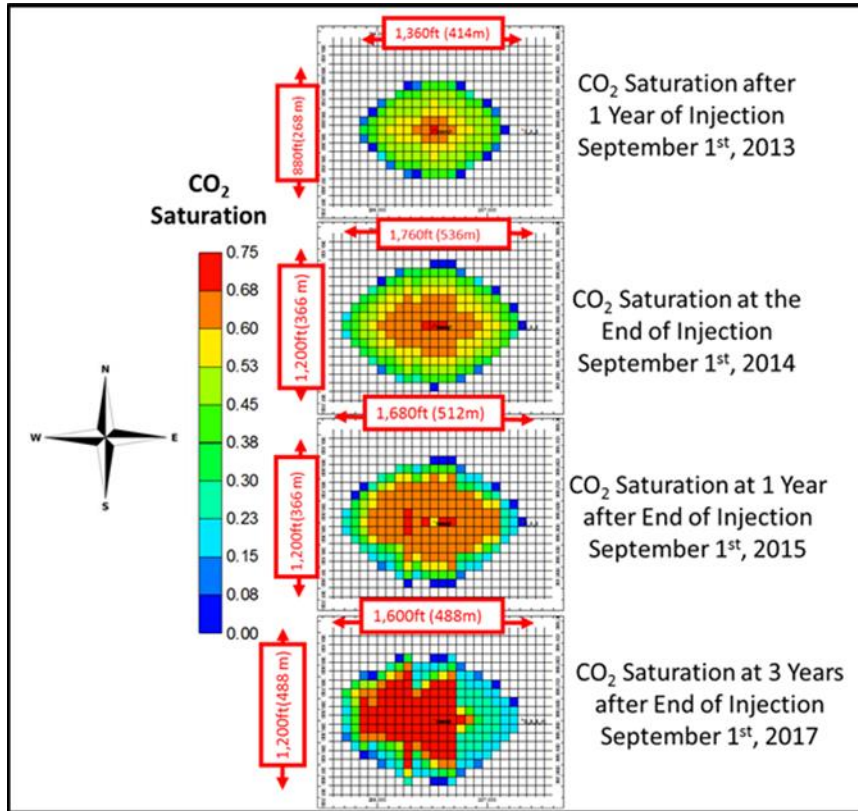
- **ADEM Underground Injection Control (UIC) Permit – Protect Underground Sources of Drinking Water (USDWs)**
  - In 2010, a Class V Experimental Well permit allowed, because
    - Short duration of injection (3 years) and modest volumes of CO<sub>2</sub>
    - Characterization and modeling of “stacked” CO<sub>2</sub> storage
    - Demonstration of innovative monitoring tools and methods
- **It is likely that all future integrated CO<sub>2</sub> storage demonstrations will require a Class VI CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration permit**
  - States with UIC Class VI primacy have an advantage here

# Geologic Characterization



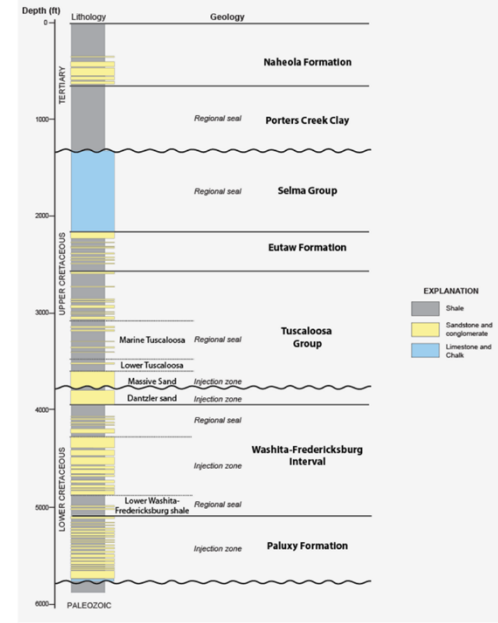
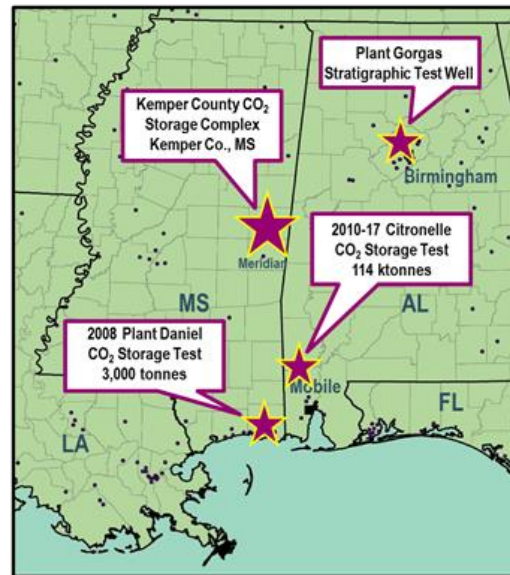
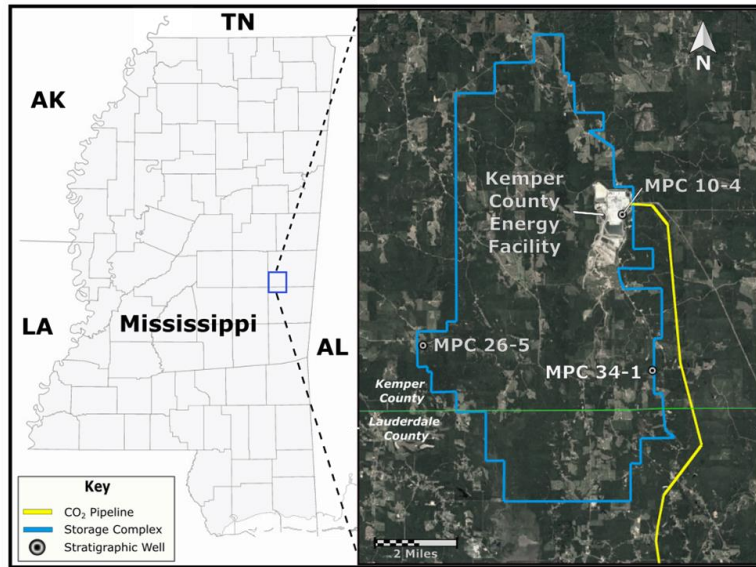


# Detailed Reservoir Simulations



The estimated radius of the CO<sub>2</sub> plume 30 years after cessation of injection is approximately 1000 ft. (305m), which is less than the project's initial AoR of 1,700 ft.

# Commercial Scale CarbonSAFE Project ECO<sub>2</sub>S 2017+

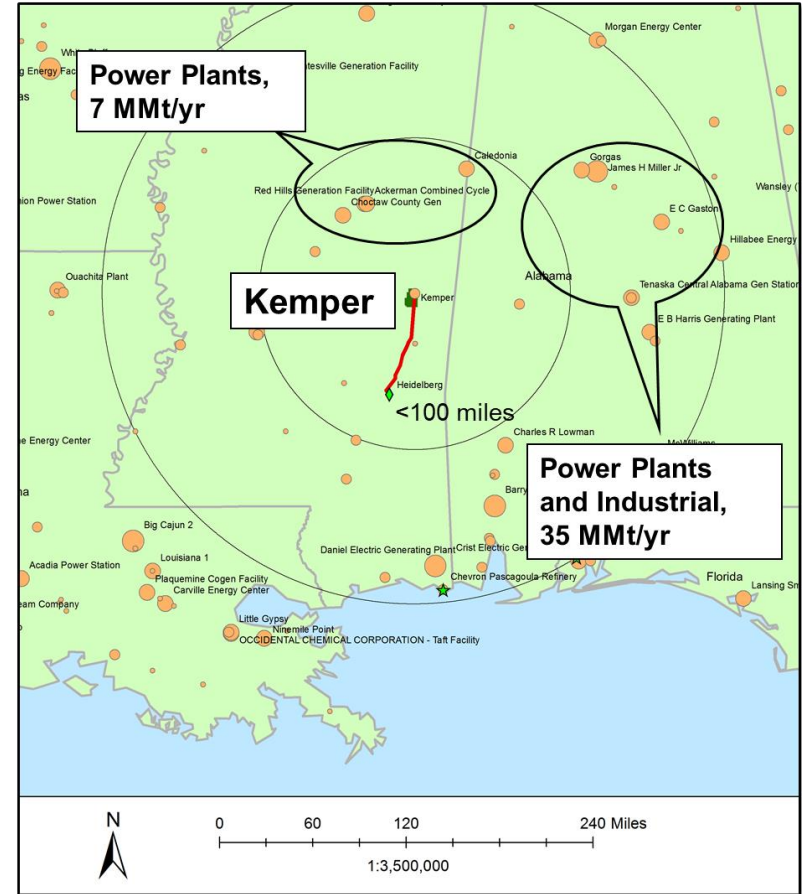
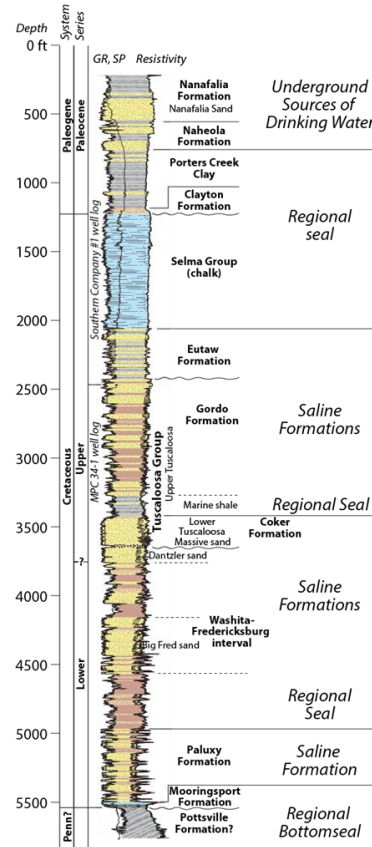


- The goal of Project ECO<sub>2</sub>S is to demonstrate that the subsurface at Kemper can safely and permanently store commercial volumes of CO<sub>2</sub>
- The project team has established a 30,000 acre area of interest which contains commercial-scale CO<sub>2</sub> storage potential
- Significant Southern Company/Mississippi Power support for evaluating CO<sub>2</sub> storage in the Southeast.

# Commercial Scale CarbonSAFE Project ECO<sub>2</sub>S



- Three storage zones provide nearly a gigatonne capacity CO<sub>2</sub> storage complex
- Low cost, low risk storage potential
- Southern Company is evaluating ECO<sub>2</sub>S site as a regional storage hub



# So How Do We Get Projects Off The Ground?

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- Great storage geology leads to low costs and low risks
- A phased project approach is an effective outreach to regulators, potential CO<sub>2</sub> sources and the public
- CO<sub>2</sub> source engagement and participation are critical
- A management team that can interface with technical folks, government and the public
- Regulatory setting matters – States with UIC Class VI primacy have an advantage



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